

(FOREIGN AFFAIRS)

PROPOSALS TO CREATE A NEW POST OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER AND CALL FOR AN ANNUAL PRESIDENTIAL REPORT ON COLD WAR REQUIREMENTS AND RESOURCES WERE LISTED TODAY FOR STUDY IN SENATE HEARINGS EARLY NEXT YEAR.

SEN. HENRY M. JACKSON (D-WASH.) ANNOUNCED THE HEARINGS ON BEHALF OF HIS SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL POLICY MACHINERY. HE SAID THE GROUP WILL DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM OF "UP DATING GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION FOR THE COLD WAR."

HEARINGS WILL START EARLY IN THE NEXT SESSION.

JACKSON MADE PUBLIC A 32-PAGE STAFF REPORT SUMMARIZING "HUNDREDS OF IDEAS" GATHERED IN FOUR MONTHS OF WHAT HE CALLED "FRANK AND HARD-HEADED" CONSULTATION WITH TOP LEVEL GOVERNMENT POLICY MAKERS AND NON-GOVERNMENT EXPERTS.

THE REPORT, WHICH ASKED QUESTIONS FATHER THAN MAKING OUTRIGHT RECOMMENDATIONS, STATES THAT THE PRESIDENCY HAS BECOME A "NEW PRESIDENCY, SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT FROM WHAT IT WAS IN MORE QUIET TIMES."

SIMILARLY IT SAID, THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS NEW RESPONSIBILITIES AND, "THE PROBLEM OF FINDING TIME TO DISCHARGE THEM IS FORMIDABLE."

ONE SUGGESTION MADE TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF WAS CREATION OF A MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF CABINET RANK, RESPONSIBLE TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, "WHO COULD REPRESENT THE UNITED STATES AT FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETINGS." THIS WOULD FREE THE SECRETARY FOR THE TASK OF ADVISING THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTING HIS DEPARTMENT.

JACKSON NOTED THAT ANOTHER KEY PROPOSAL CALLS FOR A NEW ANNUAL PRESIDENTIAL REPORT TO CONGRESS ON "REQUIREMENTS AND RESOURCES." HE SAID THIS REPORT WOULD BE DESIGNED TO "FILL A GAP" NOT COVERED BY THE STATE OF THE UNION MESSAGE, BUDGET MESSAGE AND REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS.

SUCH A REPORT, THE STAFF STUDY SAID, WOULD OUTLINE LONG-TERM NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY, AND PRESENT OVERALL REQUIREMENTS AND RESOURCES INVOLVED IN FOREIGN POLICY, DEFENSE AND DOMESTIC PROGRAMS.